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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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Examiner: Emily Bernhardt

APPLICATION NO: 09/991,184

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FOR: CRYSTAL MODIFICATION OF A N-PHENYL-2-PYRIMIDINEAMINE
DERIVATIVE, PROCESSES FOR ITS MANUFACTURE AND ITS
USECommissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of May 29, 2003 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on June 29, 2003. A five-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$2010 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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